IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re application of

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Serial No. NEW

Attn: APPLICATION BRANCH

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A LATEX FOR DIP MOLDING AND A DIP MOLDED PRODUCT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

4. (Amended) The latex for dip molding according to claim 1, wherein the emulsion polymerization is conducted by the use of redox type of polymerization initiator containing no transition metal salt.

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8. (Amended) The latex for dip molding according to claim 1, wherein 100 parts by weight of the monomer mixture comprises 15 to 45 parts by weight of a vinyl cyanide monomer, 35 to 80 parts by weight of a conjugated diene monomer, 0.1 to 20 parts by weight of an ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid, and 0 to 20 parts by weight of other ethylenically unsaturated monomer copolymerizable with the above monomers.